

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of:)	Docket No. 34714
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DERÉ NEWMAN, et al.)	Confirmation No.: 6563
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Serial No.: 10/709,856)	Group Art Unit No. 3677
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Filed: June 2, 2004)	Customer No.: 23589
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EXTENSION POLE WITH TOOL LOCK AND RETRACTION DAMPENER)	Examiner: VOGELBACKER, Mark T.

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action of December 29, 2005, it is respectfully requested that this Amendment be entered in the above-referenced application.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.